

KAIBAB DEER MYTH

C. J. Burk's note (*BioScience*, February 1973) deflating the "Kaibab Deer Myth" should be helpful in promoting a more critical attitude about accepted dogmas in many fields besides field ecology. But Burk did not do all that he might have to help the oppressed textbook writer from misleading his readers. Namely, he neglected to cite the original mythmakers in his bibliography. Had he done so, careful reviewers in the future might have been sure of finding his critique by looking for commentary on Leopold, A. (1943) or Rasmussen, D. I. (1941) in the Science Citation Index.

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